

# NEWPORT



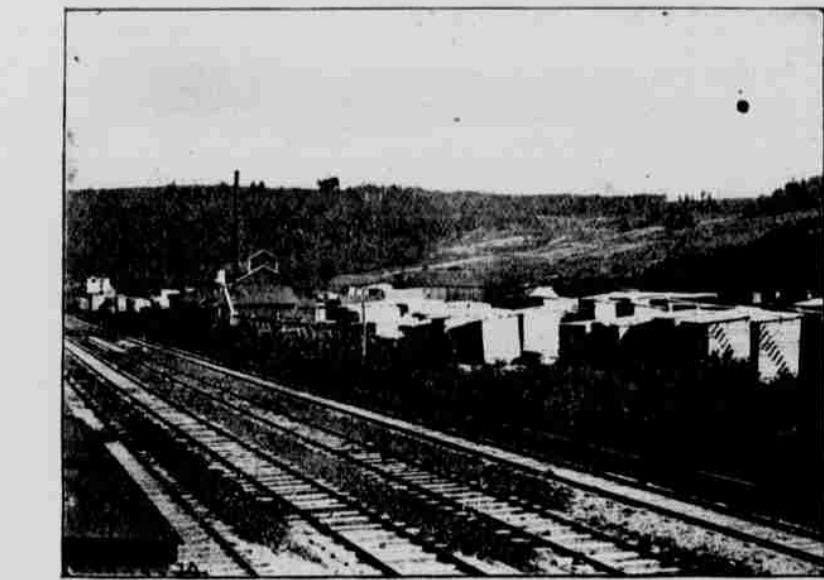
HON. CHARLES A. PROUTY.

## CHARLES A. PROUTY. INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSIONER.

Charles A. Prouty is a Newport man by the strong ties of heredity, lifelong residence, property investment and distinguished public service. Born in Newport in 1852 he fitted for college at the High school at Upton, Mass., at Derby and St. Johnsbury academies. He entered Dartmouth college in 1871, at the age of 18 and graduated in 1875, the leader of his class. Intensely interested in mathematics, and especially in astronomy, he resolved to make it the study of his life, and entered the observatory at Allegheny City, Penn., but relinquished this pursuit on account of ill health. In 1876 he entered the office of Theophilus Grout, Esq., at Newport, and was admitted to the Orleans county bar at the February term, 1877, and formed a partnership with Mr. Grout which continued one year. He then became the principal of the Newport

Philip filed personal letters with the president endorsing Mr. Prouty in the most hearty and cordial manner. No man nominated to public office has been more solidly backed up by men of influence and position in his own state than has Mr. Prouty. Mr. Prouty is a brilliant lawyer and has a great future before him. Notwithstanding the exacting demands of his office and his extensive legal practice, he has found time to devote to the business and public interests of the town. In 1881 he instituted the electric light plant, which is regarded as a public necessity, and still owns it. He was a leading promoter of the Orleans Trust Co., and since its organization has been its president.

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academy and graded school for two years, efficiently discharging these duties. In July, 1882, he again opened a law office in Newport, and in September of the same year was elected state's attorney of Orleans county; and was re-elected in 1884. Since that time he has been engaged in many important cases, and has taken his place as one of the leaders of the bar of his native state. He has been the general counsel of the Rutland railroad and the attorney of the Central Vermont railroad company. In 1888 he was elected to the legislature and was appointed chairman of the committee on education, that drafted and reported the much discussed school law of '88. Brushing aside irrelevant issues, Mr. Prouty, a position which he resigned to accept the office of interstate commerce commissioner. He was nominated by President Cleveland Dec. 14, 1896, and confirmed by the senate four days later. The name of Charles A. Prouty of Vermont, nominated for interstate commerce commissioner, in place of Veazey, resigned, was suggested to the president by Senator Proctor of Vermont, a personal friend of the nominee. Mr. Prouty is about 42 years of age, and said by his acquaintances to be second to no man in the state as a lawyer. Mr. Prouty is a graduate of Dartmouth, and led his class, taking all the prizes. Ex-Gov. Black of New York, who was a classmate of the nominee, when he heard that Mr. Prouty's name was being considered, called on the president and warmly endorsed what Senator Proctor had said. In telling of Mr. Prouty's college days Gov. Black said to the president: "He was so brilliant a young man that he easily took every prize he went after, and the rest of us were not in it at any time." Representative Grout and Senator Morrill of Vermont endorsed the selection, and ex-Senator Edmunds and ex-Minister to Great Britain E. J.

contains a press for baling surplus shavings, which are contracted for at a remunerative price. Forty hands are employed, and the lumber is brought in from Canada and dressed, finished and distributed over New England and New York state. The firm consists of George W. Sisson, Rufus L. Sisson, Fred R. Sisson, Potsdam, N. Y.; Charles H. Sisson, manager at Tupper's Lake, N. Y., and William C. Lovelace, manager,

# ST. JOHNSBURY

## ELY HOE AND FORK CO.

Hand tools are still used in tilling the soil and in harvesting the hay and grain, despite the fact that horse power has been utilized to so great an extent. In these operations, and that this is true is evidenced by the great quantities of hoes and forks turned out by one of St. Johnsbury's oldest and most important industries—the Ely Hoe and Fork Co., known also as the Moose River Works. Established here in the year 1818, by the late George W. Ely, father of the present treasurer, it has been in operation continuously since turning out annually an increasing quantity of goods recognized as the best in this line over wide sections of the United States and in many localities abroad. A New England industry, its product is in high repute among New England people; and possibly a little of "old home" pride gets in along with the other practical and economical considerations, encouraging the home industry, the home enterprise, the home skill and at the same time getting the very best outlay. Large as the output of this concern is it would be a mistake to imagine that the company has all the trade they can supply. Like Oliver they want more. The company own four acres of ground on Moose river, one acre being occupied by the various buildings used in connection with the manufacturing plant, which is a brick structure 150x100 feet. The other buildings are used for the storing of the finished goods, handles, steel, twine, horse blades, etc. The works are situated alongside the railroad and enjoy excellent shipping facilities. The line of hand implements manufactured here include field and garden hoes in a great variety, street, mortar and planter hoes, manure forks, hay forks, and spading forks, potato hooks and manure hooks, and clam hoes, edging knives, sidewalk cleaners, etc. The payroll varies from 40 to 75 names. The present company was incorporated in 1880 with Henry G. Ely president and treasurer and A. H. McLeod vice-president.

## ANDROSIS.

As a remedy and luxury combined, Compound Vapor Bath have no equal. In them you find concentrated all the qualities contained in the best methods

at Newport, Vt. Mr. Lovelace is a native of Potsdam, N. Y., has been identified with the lumber business in Michigan, and for seven years has been a resident of Vermont.

## PROUTY & MILLER.

The firm of Prouty & Miller was formed about twenty years ago, and consists of W. R. Prouty, E. J. Prouty, Oscar C. Miller and G. H. Prouty, and is one of the most successful and extensive lumber firms in New England. Their business facilities are unsurpassed. The company and the individuals that compose it control some 40,000 acres of timber lands lying near the lake, and its tributaries and in Canada. The original Newport mill was built about 1822 by J. C. Stimpson, burned in Dec. 1884, rebuilt during the winter prior to March '86, and is 50x125 feet. It is equipped with a board saw, four planers and a clapboard mill, all of Lane's machines except the planers. The board saw has a daily capacity of more than 25,000 feet of lumber and 25,000 feet of inch boards were here sawed by one saw in 10 hours, which we will call the best record until it is beaten. The mill employs about fifty men, and annually saws about 6,000,000 feet of lumber, and finishes the lumber that is sawed at the company's mill at St. Victor, P. Q. In all about 18,000,000 feet is billed from this office. The mill is operated by a 150-horse power engine, its location on the bay at the west of the village of Newport, gives unsurpassed facilities for floating and storing logs. Prouty & Miller's sales aggregate the enormous total of about 400,000 and they never have paid a dollar for salesmen. Their lumber mainly finds a market in southern New England, and they own extensive lumber yards at Brockton and Taunton, Mass., in charge of W. H. Lewis.

## JOHN M. HAZEL.

John M. Hazel is the owner and manager of the plant formerly conducted by the Moir Granite Co., established at Newport in 1852. The engraving shows his quarry and a large force of men are employed here and at the finishing department. There are the grades of New England granite, the light gray, Newport dark and Newport ebony. It is of fine



PROUTY & MILLER'S WORKS.

even texture and takes an exceptionally brilliant polish. The quarries under Mr. Hazel's management have been thoroughly developed and the advanced shipping facilities are an important consideration to buyers. Mr. J. M. Hazel was born in Lyndonville in 1871. His boyhood was spent there and he graduated from the common school of the Lyndon Institute in 1890. He worked as a passenger brakeman and as a news agent on the Passumpsic railroad. At the age of 19 he went to Barre and commenced the business of stone cutting with the National Granite Co. He leased this plant for a period extending to 1896 and then purchased it, and since then he has made a remarkable success of the business.

## MEMPHREMAGOG HOUSE.

The Memphremagog House is one of the landmarks of Newport, the most conspicuous object that attracts the eye of the alighting traveler. It is five stories with a frontage of 175 feet, and wings of 150 feet, and contains 188 guest rooms, certainly the largest hotel in Northern Vermont. It is provided with all the modern improvements that have become a necessity to the traveling public. The proprietors Messrs. Sisco & Holbrook also conduct the Newport House here. The Memphremagog House is so well and favorably known to the traveling public under its present management, that it needs no introduction. Its situation commands it. Lake Memphremagog with its background of mountains, lies spread out directly opposite, and the cool breezes from the surface of the lake moderate the heat of the most extreme weather.

of bathing known to science, supplemented by nature's remedies which permeate the entire system by absorption, absolutely destroying the germs of disease. The Compound Vapor assists nature to throw off disease, Fevers, Scatiae and Inflammatory Rheumatism, Paralysis, Dropsy, Diarrhea, Bright's Disease, and all derangements of the Kidneys and Urinary Organs, Spinal difficulties, Sick Headache, Neuralgia, Asthma, Bronchitis, Varicose Veins, Scrofula, Salt Rheum, Eczema, Erysipelas, Icy Poison, Malarial, mercurial and specific Blood Poison, in all its forms, succumb to treatment. Fumigation and bathing by the Androsia Baths disinfects and vitalizes the human organism, thousands of happy witnesses now gratefully declare. All irritable, obstructive elements must leave the blood and tissues under this treatment. Sleepless, irritable, peevish conditions which unite the human system for mental efforts, are relieved by clearing the blood and tissues of elements which induce it. Absorb dropsy and tumors, starve the cancers,



ulcers and abscesses by clearing the system of the poisonous supplies which feed them. Bath rooms, Republican Block, St. Johnsbury, Vt., Prof. D. H. Hill, Prof. Hill is a graduate of the American School of Magnetic Healing, a method of healing discovered by Prof. S. A. Wetmore of Nevada, Mo. The Professor is also a practitioner of the new science of osteopathy, which is forging to the front as a method of healing. These three methods just mentioned in conjunction with the wonderful "J. B. L. Casade," a device instituted by Prof. Chas. A. Tyrrell for flushing the colon and eliminating waste from the system, form Prof. Hill's great "quartette" for the healing of many patients. Prof. Hill is also agent for the Monomental Bronze Co., with 500 designs to supply those who take drugs.

# MONTPELIER

## UNION CARD COMPANY.

This company is well and widely known as printers of all commercial work, show bills, cards and similar products, and their trade extends to all parts of the country. Their business was started in 1883, and has steadily grown, so that today it ranks among the principal houses of the country. The premises occupied comprise the entire lower floor, 50x150 feet, and basement of the Golden Fleece building, Montpelier, Vt., the presses being operated by electric power. The company are also manufacturers and extensive dealers in plain and fancy cards and folders and headquarters for wrapping papers, twines, paper bags, etc. They also manufacture rubber printing stamps of all kinds. In connection with the printing business this company have a stationery and book store at No. 32 State street under the name of Russell's Book Store and is today the largest and leading store of its kind in the city. The proprietor, Mr. Charles F. Russell, started the business in 1885, with a small hand and operated it until 1891, when he was succeeded by Mr. J. H. Tuttle, who by strict attention to business, he has built up a large and flourishing business and fully deserves the wonderful success the company have achieved through his able management.



WELCH BROS. MAPLE CO.

Canners and Dealers in Vermont Maple Syrup and Sugar. Offices and Works, Burlington. This company was organized and incorporated in 1890 with a capital of \$25,000. L. W. Welch is the president; Elias Lyman is the vice president; R. G. Severson treasurer and H. H. Miller secretary. Vermont famous for a century for the excellent quality of the product from its maple groves is today without a rival in this field of industry. If there is any one branch which illustrates more than another the progressive characteristics of the Vermont, it is the improved methods employed in placing upon the market the sugar production of its forest. From the primitive methods employed by the original settlers, scientific apparatus has been evolved to extract the sweetness from the juice of the maple and the product which now goes from Vermont is absolutely pure, clean, wholesome and palatable. No one has done more than this company to encourage the use of improved methods and the result has been that they have formed such connections with Vermont farmers, that they are the largest dealers in maple products in the state. Shipments during the sugar season come from all over northern Vermont to their plant at Burlington where they occupy a main building 75x150 feet in dimensions with large additions for storage purposes. Here the syrup and sugar undergoes careful and critical examination and is put up into cans, bottles and other packages bearing the label of the "Green Mountain Boy." This label is a guarantee of the genuine, pure and unadulterated maple product of Vermont. The company makes a specialty of delivering to you as "Maple Cream" which is unquestionably the best product

# BURLINGTON



WILLIAM SMITH, CARRIAGES.

treasurer. This house has a record of success covering a period of half a century and is among the leading representatives of the trade in Vermont. Their store, the front of which is shown in the accompanying engraving was built expressly for them, and is arranged for the convenient handling of goods in large

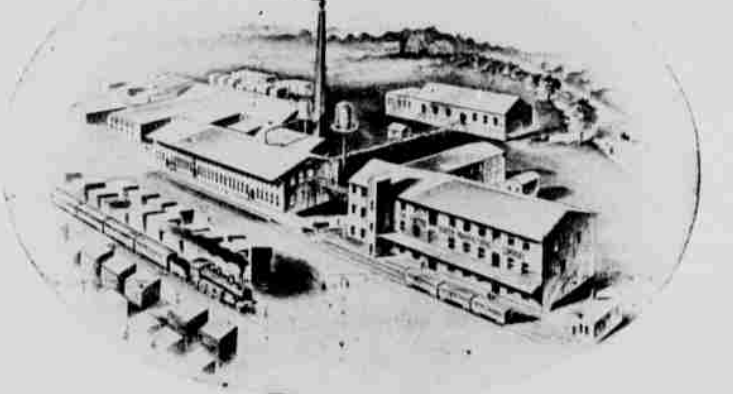
speaks volumes for their reputation for honesty and fair dealing. They employ fifteen men in the various departments of their business and shipments are made with promptness and despatch. In this issue devoted to the commerce and industry of the state it is fitting that the Walker Grocery Company occupy a prominent position. Through the medium of their operations with leading houses of the country Vermonters get the best goods the market affords at a minimum price.

## WILLIAM SMITH.

Manufacturer of Carriages and Repairer of all kinds of vehicles, 164-168 St. Paul street. This reliable carriage factory has been in operation for many years and for the past ten years has been owned and conducted by the present proprietor. The building utilized for the business is a three-story brick 75x150 feet in dimensions and fitted up for finishing carriages complete, including wood work, ironing, painting and trimming. The carriages built here have a reputation for finish and durability that extends far beyond the boundaries of the state and jobs have been sent to the different states of the union and far-off Australia. Ten men are employed, the principal business being custom work, though a special feature is made of repairing and keeping in order fine vehicles. Mr. Smith is a veteran in the carriage trade. He was born at Granby, Mass., in 1822, came to Burlington in 1850. He has been constantly engaged at this trade and has turned out a number of the swell jobs used in this section of the state. Readers of our old home week edition will do well to communicate with Mr. Smith when considering the purchase of fine work. He has many finished, high-grade carriages in his repository and can fill any order promptly.

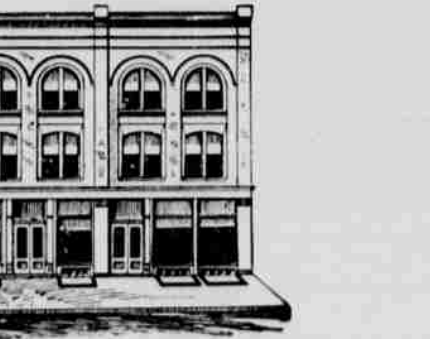
## PORTER SCREEN MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

The Porter Screen Manufacturing Co. of Burlington has set for itself the problem, which the evidence indicates it proposes to solve of placing itself inab-



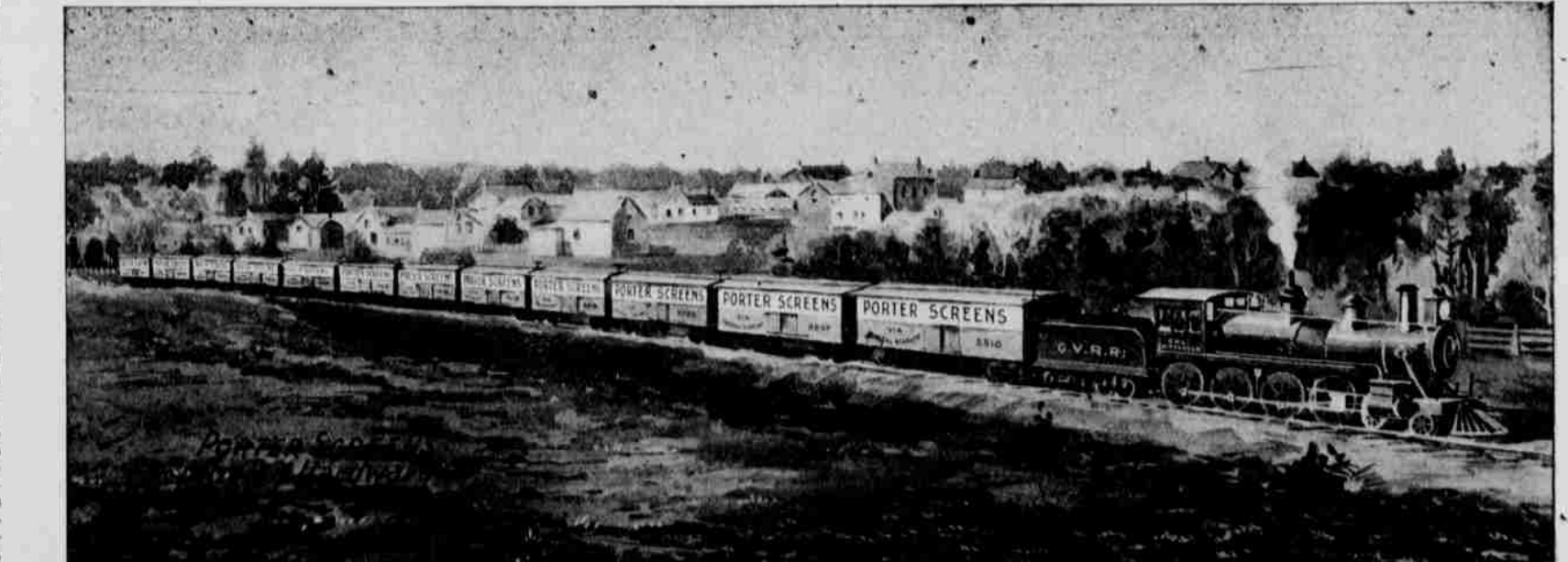
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entry for the United States. Their traveling representatives visit the trade of northern Vermont at stated intervals and dealers find this market much more advantageous than either Boston or New York. The stock carried is as large and varied and having an all water route to the seaboard they are able to compete with any firm who visit this territory. The name of Walker in the



WALKER GROCERY CO.

Wholesale Grocers, 164-168 St. Paul street, Burlington. E. H. Walker, president; J. E. Hamley, vice president; A. L. Walker, secretary; H. H. Walker,



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JOHN M. HAZEL'S QUARRY.